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MOUNT VERNON—City staff are closely monitoring rain and flood predictions over the next several days. The Skagit River level is currently predicted to crest just above 34 feet in Mount Vernon, on Monday. A 34-foot-high river level in Mount Vernon would put the river at the base of the Downtown floodwall.

If current predictions hold over the next several hours, City staff will redeploy the floodwall stoplogs, and public access to the Skagit Riverwalk will be closed. Other closures would likely include Lions Park, Edgewater Park, and the Riverwalk Plaza.

During floodwall deployment, City crews navigate some small spaces with large equipment. We ask that those hoping to get a look at the river and the work being done, would keep a safe distance, or avoid the area near the floodwall altogether. This allows our work to be done much more efficiently. Thanks for your cooperation!

Downtown businesses remain open and the "Small Business Saturday," as well as "Festival of Trees" events will continue as planned in downtown Mount Vernon over the weekend.

